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HOMEcoming, CITY FESTIVAL PLANNED MAY 4

Purple Jackets Add Seventeen Members to Club

All but Four Members of Honorary
Girls' Club to Graduate

Seventeen coeds at the Louisiana State Normal college were added to the Purple Jacket club of the college at a special assembly program in Caldwell Hall auditorium Tuesday.

Presided over by Joy Burnham, president of the honor club, of Haynesville, the Purple Jacket program included brief talks by Lois Gellatly, vice-president, of Zwolle, and President Albert A. Fredericks who announced the new members of the organization.

The new members of the club selected on the basis of character, scholarship and extra-curricular activities at the college are: Jo T. Calhoun, Minden; Kathleen Morrow, Haynesville; Juanita Burt, Bogalusa; Catherine Shaw, Ringgold; Juliette Clements, La-

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Freshmen Are Named Members of Religious Group

Twenty Freshmen Commissioners
Honored at Impressive
Ceremony

Twenty first-year students at the Louisiana State Normal college were signally honored this week when they were named members of the Freshman Religious Organizations commission in impressive candlelight ceremonies held in Caldwell Hall auditorium.

Representing the Young Women's Christian association, the Young Men's Christian association and the Newman club, the students were selected on the basis of scholarship and service to the religious societies on the campus during their freshman year. They will serve as official sophomore representatives of the college on all official occasions.

Freshmen named on the honor club are, Young Women's Christian association: Marjorie Abney, Alexandria, Gwendolyn Sylvest, Dodson; Patsy Clyde, Alexandria; Addie Butler, Winnsboro; Mary Ellen Caldwell, Shreveport; Etiole Mobley, Robeline; Mary Kathryn Griffin, Vivian; Freda Lowry, Haynesville.

Young Men's Christian association: Dwight MacCurdy, Alexandria, Kent Buckingham, Bogalusa, Harvey Lane, Mer Rouge; Tom Paul Southerland, Bossier City, Lem Willis, Forest Hill; Doyle Smith, Mooringsport.

Newman club: Charles Roberts, Rodessa; Annie Bell Landry, Port Allen; Shirley Backes, Metairie Ridge; Adelaide Smith, Boyce; Marie Louise Breaux, Church Point; and Eldon Chachere, Eunice.

ATTEND TRADE SCHOOL DINNER



Pictured above is the group attending the get-together dinner held in conjunction with the issuance of certificates to 36 automobile mechanics who completed a 13-week course in carburation at the Natchitoches Trade School last week. Those at the dinner held in the cafeteria of the Natchitoches High school are, front row, left to right: Marvin Adams, Many; F. A. Currie, Natchitoches; Louis Fair Hyams, Natchitoches; L. M. Nowlis, Natchitoches; T. A. Risor, Natchitoches; R. G. Risor, Many; A. F. Perry, Natchitoches. Second row: E. J. Moulis, Natchitoches; Victor Lee Mason, Natchitoches; T. L. Ward, Robeline; Arthur Winn, Marthaville; M. M. Hall, Zwolle; S. B. DuBose, Zwolle; R. Q. Luttrell, Natchitoches; Forest Hedges, Natchitoches; A. A. Gourdon, Campti. Standing: J. S. LeBlanc, Natchitoches; J. F. Pullen, Natchitoches; R. V. Howard, Many; J. A. Brown, Natchitoches; P. J. DeLatn, Many; T. D. Carlisle, Campti; R. H. Terry, Natchitoches; C. M. Bostick, Natchitoches; J. E. Moreland, Campti; G. H. Newman, Natchitoches; J. T. Sandlin, Natchitoches; N. A. Risor, Natchitoches; C. G. Bullard, Zwolle; P. Weathersby, Many; H. E. Boyter, Natchitoches; R. L. Barr, Natchitoches; F. A. Risor, Many; D. L. Howard, Many; Wade McFarland, Natchitoches; F. C. Paddock, Natchitoches; Jack Pullen, Natchitoches; E. A. Lee, Natchitoches; Arthur Watson, Natchitoches; A. B. Simpson, Natchitoches; H. C. Givens, Natchitoches; G. H. Pierson, Natchitoches; A. A. Fredricks, Natchitoches.

Homecoming Program To Present Barbecue, Spring Festival, Dance

Again as last year, the college and the City of Natchitoches will join hands to celebrate two great occasions—the returning of the Louisiana State Normal College Alumni to their Alma Mater, and the presentation of the Second Annual Historic Natchitoches Spring Festival.

This year's celebration will be featured by an assembly of all returning alumni. The assembly program will last for one hour and will be composed of talks and musical numbers by the Alumni and a resume will be given on the progress of the college by President Albert A. Fredericks.

At the conclusion of the program moving pictures will be

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College Catalogs To Be Printed Soon

More than two thousand copies of 1940-41 college catalogs will be off the press soon. This represents the largest number of catalogs to be printed in any one year in the history of the college.

In addition to changes being effected in the outlines of the new curricula, the catalog is to carry the names of all the students with a summary of the names of the men, women and extension students.

The committee who worked to instigate these improvements in the catalog is composed of Messrs. R. L. Ropp, chairman, Luther Dyson, A. L. Ducournau, W. S. Mitchell, and Dr. M. P. Rogers.

Parish 4H Club Achievement Day Planned for May 11

The State Normal College will be host to the Natchitoches Parish 4-H Club members when they hold their Annual Achievement Day on May 11, 1940.

Seventeen schools in the parish will compete for honors in contests varying from livestock judging to bread making. N. E. Thames, Assistant County Agent, and Theodosia Hadnot, Home Demonstration Agent, plan to have approximately 400 Natchitoches Parish farm boys and girls to participate in various contests. These contests are held yearly as an award for diligent work in 4-H club activities and to determine the progress made during the year by the members of that organization.

The college will serve lunch to the visitors on the girls' play ground, adjacent to the NYA girls' dormitory, at noon Saturday, May 11. President Albert A. Fredericks will welcome the 4-H members to the campus.

NINE HOURS IS MAXIMUM SUMMER CREDIT

At a recent meeting, the faculty of the college agreed that for the summer semester, 3 semester hour courses will meet five days a week and 2 semester hour courses four days a week. This will eliminate Saturday classes. The maximum load for any student during the summer semester is 9 hours.

Faculty Begins Visits To High Schools In State

Representatives of the faculty began this week visiting the principal high schools in the 31 parishes of the state which supply the majority of the students that enroll here.

These visits are being made with the purpose in mind of learning more about the public high schools and elementary schools of today and the kind of work they are doing. The information obtained in this way shall be made available to the faculty and it should be of value to them. In this way it will be ultimately beneficial to the graduates of this institution and the communities to which these teachers go.

Schools visited so far are Bolton, Cheneyville, Fairview-Alpha, Colfax, Leesville, Grand Bayou, and Buckeye.

Water Pageant. Alumni Program To Draw Many

City To Celebrate Its 226th
Anniversary Founding
With Historical Show

Natchitoches, oldest town in the Louisiana purchase, will observe the 226th anniversary of its founding with a water pageant on Cane River lake Saturday, May 4. It has been announced by the Historic Natchitoches Spring Festival Association.

The association will sponsor an annual observance of the town's founding, under provisions of its charter, which was drawn up this past week.

Floats depicting events in the history of Natchitoches and of this state, as well as the development and progress of the town, will dramatize this old town founded in 1714 by Louis Jucherau de St. Denis, whose inhabitants proudly proclaim it as "The Birthplace of an Empire." The Louisiana Purchase area, of which Natchitoches was the first permanent white settlement, now forms portions or all of 17 states.

This year's pageant will be

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Pleasant Hill F. F. A.'s Win District Contest

Eighteen Schools Represented at
Ninth District Meet

Scoring 2150 out of a possible 2700 points the Pleasant Hill F. F. A. livestock judging team won over eighteen others from three parishes to become champion of the ninth F. F. A. district here Saturday, April 20.

David Ebarb of Zwolle and Glen Johnson of Pleasant Hill tied for first place with 750 points each in the individual scoring with Franklin Free of Pleasant Hill taking third place. All three received medals.

Members of the winning team from Pleasant Hill were: Glen Johnson, Franklin Free, and Wilmer Greer. The team was awarded a loving cup. The Zwolle team, composed of David Ebarb, L. H. Rivers, Jr., and Preacher Stephens, won second place.

The judging contest was held on the Louisiana State Normal campus under the supervision of Allan LeBlanc, district F. F. A. advisor, and E. H. Haynes, vocational agriculture instructor at the Natchitoches High School.

The eighteen teams out of the twenty-nine F. F. A. schools in the Vernon-Natchitoches-Sabine area present were: Vernon—Simpson, Evans, Orange, Hornbeck; Sabine—Mt. Carmel, Zwolle, Converse, Oak Grove, Pleasant Hill, Pisgah; Natchitoches—Readhimer, Robeline, Flora, Provencal, Natchitoches, Marthaville, Gorum, Klsatchie.

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"Ghost of East Hall" Must Move
As Old Building Is Demolished

Louisiana Normal college's oldest building, a two-story frame structure built a half century ago under the administration of Thomas Duckett Boyd and used for the last 15 years as a music conservatory, is being dismantled.

The first to be constructed by the state after the college was established in 1884, the building was first used as a dining hall and dormitory for women. It was remodeled and enlarged in 1898 when the student body at the school increased, and in 1911 the building was moved from original site back of the old Bullard plantation home in central campus to a spot facing the Jefferson highway on north campus.

From 1911 until 1922, the old structure was used as a dormitory for men, but in 1923 after the college's first brick dormitory for men was constructed the building was again turned into a women's dormitory.

Following the construction of several brick dormitories for women in 1925, the building was rearranged for a music conservatory under the administration of V. L. Roy, president emeritus of the college.

An interesting legend is attached to the old structure since students of the college are informed

while they are freshmen that it is the abode of "Ghost of East Hall."

The story goes that many years ago a young woman who was a member of the old convent here took her life after her lover failed to return from war, and that since then her ghost has resided on the campus, first in East Hall, an old frame dormitory for women which was demolished in 1925, and later in the old structure now being razed.

Unsuspecting freshman coeds have been warned that almost any night now the "Ghost of East Hall" may walk again at midnight as it did 15 years ago in search of a new abode and that they should be on the watch constantly for its "ghostly" antics.

Forced out of the old building, the music department now housed in the social center on the campus will soon be moved along with the speech and art department into the \$600,000 fine arts hall now nearing completion.

Students Are Told How To
Obtain Work at Commerce Meet

More than 600 commerce majors from 15 colleges and high schools heard 30 speakers in the first annual Commercial conference day program held under the auspices of the Natchitoches high school and the Louisiana State Normal college departments of commerce in the local high school here Saturday, April 20.

In the appraisal of the conference during the last assembly program Friday afternoon, E. A. Lee, Natchitoches parish superintendent of schools and president of the Louisiana Teachers' association, declared that the meeting gave commerce students an opportunity to hear discussions led by the most prominent and efficient leaders in their field.

"A real learning situation has been made possible by means of this program of activity; today marks the opening of a gateway for even greater opportunities to do things in the field of commerce education," declared Superintendent Lee.

General assembly speakers at 10:20 a. m. and at 2 p. m. in the auditorium of the local high school included President Albert A. Fredericks and A. B. Simpson, of Natchitoches high school, in addresses of welcome, Dr. Carl Ashburn, Lafayette; James B. Aswell, Natchitoches; Dr. Rodney Cline, Baton Rouge; Herbert Hamilton, Hammond; Lieutenant Bachus, Barksdale Field, Shreveport; Don Ewing, Shreveport Times; and Superintendent Lee.

At the first group conference session at 8:40 a. m. speakers included Harold Rojas, New Orleans; John Cunningham, Natchitoches; O. W. Traber, Natchitoches; J. W. Mitchell, Crowley; H. Lee Prather Natchitoches; L. Vincent, Lake Charles; Lewis M. This, Longview, Texas; G. F.

Thomas, Natchitoches; Mrs. Anice Temple, New Orleans.

Speakers at the second group conference at 9:20 a. m. were F. A. Cotey, Alexandria; L. Mathis, Monroe; L. Wesley Norton, Shreveport; Joseph M. Rogers, Lafayette; Don Ewing, Shreveport; Mrs. H. A. Calloway, Shreveport; Edgerton Pierson, Natchitoches.

At the third group conference speakers were Paul Ducournau, Natchitoches; George A. Meadows, Shreveport; Dean Schmitter, Shreveport; Joe Roppolo, Shreveport; George T. Walker, Lafayette; J. W. Mitchell, Crowley; A. W. Durham, Oakdale.

N. B. Morrison, head of the college department of commerce presided over the first general assembly and Dr. Murphy P. Rogers, dean of the Normal college, was chairman of the second general meeting.

The State Normal college was host to visiting speakers, teachers, supervisors, superintendents, machine demonstrators and local business men attending the conference at a luncheon in the social center of the college at noon Friday, April 19.

Assisting Miss Ingram and Mr. Morrison in the one-day commercial conference were Miss Dorothy Legendre, supervisor of commerce in the local high school, and 22 student teachers from the State Normal college.

Program
ANNUAL ALUMNI HOME COMING
Saturday, May 4, 1940

9 00-10 00 Registration.

10 45-11 30 Assembly in High School Auditorium. The program is to be broadcast over Station KWKH

Following the program, thirty minutes will be used to show a moving picture of last year's Home Coming as well as other interesting views.

12:30 Barbecue at Dining Hall.

2 00-4 00 Open House for Fraternities, Sororities, and Student Organizations. Garden Tours and Pilgrimages will be conducted by Women's Clubs.

5 00 Presentation of Lesche Play and Modern Dance Recital under direction of Physical Education and Dramatic Departments.

8 00 Historical Natchitoches Spring Festival.

10 00 Home Coming Dance.

MARRIAGES

Miss Jessie Jones, A. B. '38, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones of Franklinton, to Henry H. Bernard, B. S. Southwestern, Sunday, March 31, 1940, in the First Baptist Church at Alexandria. They will make their home in Natchitoches after the 1st of August where Mr. Bernard is landscape engineer at the State Normal College.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Rusca, ex '36, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Rusca of Natchitoches, to Gordon Linden Rush of New Orleans, son of Mrs. H. S. Rush and the late Mr. Rush of Tampico, Mexico, Saturday, March 30, in the Catholic Church at Natchitoches. Home—New Orleans, where Mr. Rush is manager of the New Orleans office of Cico Steel Products Corporation.

Miss Lillian Sexton of Winnfield to Sims Jackson, A. B. '38, of Calvin, Sunday, March 24. Mrs. Jackson is Home Demonstration Agent of Winn Parish, and Mr. Jackson is an Educational Advisor of the CCC in Calvin.

Miss Laurie Williams, ex '37, daughter of Mr. Newton Williams of Fairview-Alpha, to Merce Brittain Weaver of Coushatta, Friday, March 22, 1940. The young couple will make their home at Fairview-Alpha. Mrs. Weaver is a teacher at the Fairview-Alpha Orammar School and Mr. Weaver is employed with the L. P. Stephens &

Family Album

The women majors in Health and Physical Education published their second annual Family Album. The Album is sent to all alumni in the spring, writing them to come to Home Coming. It contains personal and professional news of all graduates, as well as the doings of all women students in the department. A feature of the women's physical education home coming is a contest between Juniors and Seniors against faculty and alumni. Last year softball was the game, this year the groups will play recreational games.

The Album is dedicated to Mrs. Mary Bush Ralies this year. She graduated in 1932, and is now director of physical education for women at Southeastern Louisiana College at Hammond.

Company of Coushatta.

Miss Lola Louise Smith, ex '39, to Thomas A. McGinnis of Oxford, March 25, 1940, in New Orleans. They will make their home in New Orleans where Mr. McGinnis works as Assistant Tax Collector.

Miss Mary Ellen Peterson, A. B. '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Peterson of Bossier City, to Thomas McWaters Armitage, son of Mrs. Ola Trichel Armitage and the late Mr. T. M. Armitage, Friday, April 5, 1940. Mrs. Armitage is a member of the faculty of Bossier City high school. Mr. Armitage attended Louisiana State University. The young couple are making their home at 215 East McCormick, Bossier City.

Miss Lillian Stone, ex '39, of Dixie, to Minos J. Kennedy, Jr., of Shreveport, March 16, 1940.

Miss Lois Golson, A. B. '35, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Oswald Golson of Mer Rouge, to Aaron Dallas Williams, Jr., on Sunday, April 14, 1940. Home—Mer Rouge.

Miss Eloise Major, ex '38, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Major of Oscar, Louisiana, to Alcide Bouanchaud, Saturday, April 6, 1940. The young couple are at home in New Roads, where Mr. Bouanchaud is Deputy Sheriff.

Miss Martha Cecile Prudhomme, ex '38, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Prudhomme of Bermuda to Steve Harmon, A. B. '38, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harmon of Lake St. John, on Saturday, April 13, 1940, in Natchitoches. Home—Natchitoches where Mr. Harmon is Secretary-Manager of the Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Shirley Fuller, ex '20, daughter of Mrs. Richard Moore of Clarksdale, Mississippi, to Cecil Hale, son of Mrs. Willis Barnard Hale of Ruston and the late W. B. Hale, February 9, 1940, in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mrs. Hale is a teacher in the Alexandria School. Mr. Hale is a graduate of Louisiana Tech in Ruston and is at present connected with the Standard Oil Company.

Miss Laura Claire Tison, ex '34, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Tison of Baton Rouge, to George J. Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harris of Columbia, April 4, 1940. The young couple will make their home in Baton Rouge where Mr. Harris is engaged in business.

Miss Eunice Aldredge, ex '38, to Frank Risley of Natchitoches, on Saturday, March 9, 1940, at the

Fox Hunters Of
Louisiana Hold
One Day Meet

100 Fox Hounds Put on Display at Meeting in Natchitoches

The Louisiana State Normal college was host to the annual Louisiana Fox Hunters' association convention Thursday, April 18, when members of the organization from every section of the state attended the one-day convlave.

Starting at 5 p. m. with a meeting of the board of directors of the association, the convention proper opened at 8 p. m. in the men's gymnasium of the college with Dr. W. L. Davis of Coushatta, president of the organization, presiding.

President Albert A. Fredericks welcomed the association members to the State Teachers' college campus, and Judge W. H. Ponder of Many gave the main address of the convention.

A feature of the convention was a bench show in which more than 100 fox hounds were entered with prizes offered in eleven classes. The show was directed by Earl Morris of Natchitoches with W. H. Ponder serving as judge.

The grand champion hound dog was Murphy owned by Percy D. Gandy of Alexandria, with Corena owned by Hinkel Shillings of Center, Texas, taking the championship in the opposite sex class.

With The Alumni

Mrs. L. G. Robinson, 1892, nee Irma McCord, is living in Bastrop, Louisiana.

Miss Ola McDuff, A. B. '37, is now Mrs. E. E. Archibald of Bastrop, Louisiana.

Margaret Smith, A. B. '37, is now Mrs. Fred Lee of Coushatta. Geraldine Smith, A. B. '37, is Mrs. P. G. Pigott of Selma.

Mrs. Frances Moncrelf, nee Francis Norman, A. B. '39, is living in Tallulah.

Alciades Broussard, ex '02, is living in Superior, Arizona.

Bertha Mae Fisher, ex '38, is teaching at Starks.

Marjorie Jamison, B. S. '39, is working for the Farm Security Administration in Little Rock, Arkansas.

BIRTHS

Born to:

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bradley, A. B. '39, (Marie Martin, ex '39 of Tech) of Heflin, a son, Julius Roscoe Bradley, Jr., March 25, 1940, in the Minden Hospital. Home—Heflin, where Mr. Bradley is teaching in the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Joseph Normand, (Ruth Estelle Aycock, A. B. '38) of Natchitoches, a son, Raymond Joseph Normand, Jr., March 7, 1940.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Boydston, (Ethel Marie Morris, ex '36) of Natchitoches, a girl, Carolyn Ann, Sunday, April 14, 1940. Mr. Boydston is employed by S. & H. Kaffle.

home of Reverend R. R. Branton. Mrs. Risley is employed at S. & H. Kaffle's, Inc. Mr. Risley is in the employ of the Standard Bakery. Mr and Mrs. Risley are located in the Lakeview Apartments.

Miss Claire Blatterman to John Boatner, ex '32, in March and are living in Monroe, Louisiana.

Student Body Officers Elected For Coming Year

Donnie Waller of Haynesville Elected President of Student Body Association

In the largest vote ever polled in the history of student body government at the college Donnie Waller of Haynesville won over Ernest Tyler of Springhill for the presidency of the student body.

Other student body officers elected were: Robert Rouse, New Orleans, vice-president; Helen Lowe, Haynesville, secretary-treasurer; Donald Conlay, Campti; Bill Doshier, Natchitoches, Ernest Wright, Guun, Alabama, student councilmen; Rose Lee Henderson, Boyce, Polpourri editor; Charles Stahls, Provencal, Current Sauce editor.

Elected president of the senior class was Wilbur McSherry, Midland; junior class president, O'Neill Decoteau, Ponchatoula; sophomore class president, David Turner, Pollock.

Demon Spikemen In Meet Here Sat. Meet Loyola, Tech

Local fans will have the opportunity Saturday of seeing Coach Harry Turpin's Louisiana State Normal College spikemen in action on the Normal track and field when they meet Louisiana Tech and Loyola University of New Orleans thinclads in a triangular meet at 2 P. M.

The meet Saturday will mark the first time a Loyola University track team has ever appeared here.

Although the varsity squads of the three schools will hold the limelight in the meet, the freshman teams of the State Normal and Louisiana Tech will fight it out for honors in their class.

Both the varsity and freshman teams from the State Normal College smothered the Louisiana Tech spikemen in both divisions last Saturday, Coach Turpin's varsity winning 79½ to 40½, and his freshman team taking the Tech 77 to 23.

Meyer, Wiggins and Hollis tied for high point honors on the Normal varsity, each getting 10 points in two firsts; while McSwain took high honors on the frosh squad with two firsts.

Mayer won first in the 100 and 220 yard dasher, Wiggins was first in the high and low hurdles, and Hollis placed first in the mile and two-mile events. McSwain won first places in the century and 220-yard dashes.

Bolzong, first-year trackster, placed himself in the forefront when he ran the 220-yard high hurdles in 15.5 seconds, 1.2 seconds faster than the time made by the varsity in the same event.

HOMECOMING PROGRAM

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shown in color of scenes of last year's Home Coming and other shots of interest of college life. Be sure to see this picture as you are very likely to see yourself at the barbecue or some other places on the campus.

Invited guests to appear on the assembly period are: Dr. E. B. tobert, Dean of the College of Education at the Louisiana State University, Mrs. Lizzie Carter DeVoy, retired professor of English, who for many years taught

DEMON NETMEN WIN FOURTH FROM CENTENARY



These Demon netmen won their fourth match of the season this week when they downed the Centenary college racquet wielders, 6 to 1, Tuesday afternoon on the Gents' courts in Shreveport. John D. Bell, top, left, of Franklin, playing at No. 1 Position dropped his second match in the last three years to Stephens, 4-6, 6-3, 12-10, for the only defeat of the seven matches. Jack Fisher, top, left, of Detroit, Mich., defeated Ewing, 8-4, 6-8, 7-5, in the No. 2 spot. Billy Bolton, bottom, right, of Saline, No. 3 player, took Holland, 6-2, 8-8. Kenneth "Red" Wilson, bottom left, of Natchitoches, No. 3 player, beat Harter, 6-4, 7-5, and Harvel Pierce, below center left, of Franklin, No. 5 player, defeated Cox, 6-4 6-4. Wallace Hunter of Alexandria did not play in the Centenary match. In the doubles, Bell and Fisher defeated Stephens and Ewing, 7-5, 4-6, 6-1; while Bolton and Wilson in the No. 2 doubles slot downed Cox and Harter, 6-3, 8-6. The Demon net team holds two shutout victories over the Louisiana College Cats of Pineville and a 5 to 2 win over the Mississippi State netmen of Starksville, Miss. Their only loss of the season has been to the Old Lou Bengals, a 7 to 0 shutout last Saturday on the Tigers' courts.

Campus Visitors

Leeman Wooley, A. B. '36, is attending L. S. U. where he will receive his Master's degree this year.

Myrtle Sewell, B. S. '39, who is teaching commerce at Martin High School of Coushatta.

Emmett Cope, A. B. '38, who is teaching and coaching at Arcadia.

at the State Normal and the State University; and Mrs. Ada Jack Carver Snell, playwright and author.

The day's activities will start by the registering of all returning alumni in Varnado Hall where coffee will be served. At 10:30 o'clock an assembly will be held of all alumni in the new high school auditorium on the campus. At 12:30 p. m. a barbecue will be served at the dining hall. At 2:00 p. m. all student organizations will hold open house and visiting alumni will have an opportunity, through the courtesy of women's clubs of Natchitoches, to visit points of interest in town.

Student organizations, and in particular the Purple Jackets, will act as official guides on the campus to show visitors the many new buildings and improvements on the campus. At 5 o'clock the departments of dramatic and physical education will present a play and modern dance recital in the High School Auditorium. From 7 o'clock until 10:00 o'clock the City will stage its Annual Historic Natchitoches Spring Festival on beautiful Cane River Lake. The pageant on the river will start about 8:00 o'clock. The Home Coming Ball will start at 10:00 p. m. and it is planned to have some outstanding orchestra present for the occasion. The Home Coming Committee hopes that such a program will afford interest to all returning alumni.

Demon Nine Lose To Southwestern

Louisiana Normal Demons opened the baseball season with a 6 to 2 loss to Southwestern at Lafayette, Saturday, April 20th.

The Bulldogs playing their eleventh game of the season, were a little steadier in the pinches than the Demons. Normal scored 2 runs in the first inning on 2 hits and an error. Southwestern scored 1 run in the second inning and 1 in the 4th inning to tie the game. With the score tied 2 all through the eighth a walk, 2 hits and 2 bad throws enabled the Bulldogs to push across 4 runs to put the game on ice. Sherrard pitching for Normal struck out 12 men and allowed only 4 hits. Gouvernaule for Southwestern struck out 7 and allowed only 3 hits. Normal looked exceptionally well for the opening game especially since the rain had handicapped practice.

PURPLE JACKETS

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Place; Marie Louise Marine, Patterson; Juanita Phillips, Kelly; Jewel McCarthy, Castor; Vesta Caillouet, Lockport, Ruby Monks, Welsh; Earline Harris, Gila; Willie Marie Norris, Natchitoches; Mary Virginia Hathorn, Haynesville; Ann Kilman, Natchitoches; Sidney Gremillion, Shreveport; Katherine Koon, Boyce; Ruby Riddick, DeRidder.

Four members of the club of 21 students who will return for the 1940-41 session are Margery Babbin president, LePlace, Mary Allen Caraway, vice-president, Logansport, Evelyn Morris, secretary, Pineville; and Inez McGhee, Ville Platte.

Senior members of the honor club who are graduating this semester are: Evora Gaar, Dodson; Lois Gellatly, Zwolle; Le-

Demon Spikemen To Enter La. Tech Conference Meet

The first Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference Track and Field meet will be held at Ruston, Louisiana, Saturday, May 11. Preliminaries will begin at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

Members of the Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference—Louisiana Tech, Centenary, Louisiana College, Southwestern Louisiana Institute and Louisiana State Normal College are to provide a championship award that is to be presented to the winners of the meet. The winner's name is to be engraved upon the award and it is to remain in his possession until the next conference meet and then again it will be awarded to the winners of this conference. This is not a permanent trophy.

Saturday, April 20, the Demon spikemen met Louisiana Tech at Ruston and defeated both their varsity and freshmen.

The schedule for the remainder of the track season is:

Saturday, April 27—Loyola, Louisiana Tech and Normal at Natchitoches.

Saturday, May 4—Southwestern, Louisiana College and Normal at Pineville.

Saturday, May 11—Louisiana Conference and Field Meet at Ruston.

Merle Elston, Haughton; Theresa Harbort, St. Gabriel, Mary Bell White, Vivian; Shirley Ceiling, Baldwin; Joy Burnham, Haynesville; Margaret Wood, DeQuincy; Abilene Gindratt Zwolle; Dorothy Dowdy, Junction, Sammie Hill Natchitoches; Bernice Bedingfield Vivian; Alice Voltz, Washington, Bertha Louise Crowder, Oakdale; Dorris Adams, Coushatta, Bernadette Dill Donaldsonville, and LaVerne Killen, Natchitoches.

Agriculturists Attend Demeter Banquet Here

F. H. Lumpkin, Minden Dairyman, Speaks At Second Annual Dinner

Beta, local chapter of Demeter, national agriculture fraternity, was host to some ninety persons who attended the second annual agriculture department banquet, held here April 18.

Mr. E. H. Lumpkin, outstanding dairy farmer of Minden, La., was the guest speaker for the evening. Other leading agriculturists who spoke were H. C. Lovett, agriculture instructor, Louisiana, Tech; Elol Primeaux, soil conservation service, Campti, La.; Henry H. Bernard, president of the national Demeter fraternity, Natchitoches, La.; S. W. Nelken, agriculture instructor at the college; Dr. L. B. Pratt, master farmer, Natchitoches, La.

Also present were numerous alumni, honorary members, and visitors.

The toastmaster for the occasion was Erbon W. Wise, secretary-treasurer of the local chapter.

The dinner was prepared by the Euthenics Club of the Home Economics Department. One of the projects of the Club is the cooking and serving of banquet meals.

Demon Baseball Club To Play Centenary 9 Fri.

Coach Alvin "Cracker" Brown's Louisiana State Normal college baseball club will meet the Centenary college nine Friday afternoon on the Gents' diamond in Shreveport in the second game of the season for the local team.

The Demons dropped their season's opener to the Southwestern Louisiana Institute club Saturday, 6 to 2, in Lafayette. The game was played following a three-weeks' training period during which adverse weather drove the players inside a large part of the time.

With the experience gained in the game last week coupled with good weather conditions this week, Coach Brown stated that the squad is rounding into better form and that he has whittled the candidates down to around 20.

Black who has been showing up well in the backfield sprained an ankle in the Saturday game, and McCoy who has been holding down third base pulled a leg muscle. Neither will be able to play Friday, Coach Brown said.

In all probability Sherrard will start on the mound for the Demons with Weems standing in line for second place choice. Either Gaspard or Boucher will be on the receiving end in Friday's game.

Aaron will play at first, T. Wright at second, Cryer at third, Henry at short, and Morris, Migues and Roebuck in the outfield.

The civilization of Mexico is as old as that of Egypt, and near Mexico City are the pyramids of the Sun and Moon which antedate those of Egypt.

At the end of the 1939 fiscal year 48,250,000 acres of farm land in 82,000 farms were covered by 5-year agreements with the Soil Conservation Service providing for complete form plans for erosion control and good land management.

New Government Aid Granted To College

President Albert A. Fredericks recently announced that he had been notified by government officials that a project for the continuation of general improvements on the campus totaling \$136,258.33 had been approved.

The new project includes the building of one and one-half miles of hard-surfaced roads, a mile of sidewalks, the erection of 10 tennis courts, the construction of concrete storm sewers and man holes, the laying of concrete sewer pipe, excavation for drainage, grading and terracing, the building of wire enclosures around the new athletic field and the tennis courts, and the planting of trees, shrubs and plants on the campus.

President Fredericks stated that the new project will augment the \$2,750,000 expansion program which embraces the construction of 22 new buildings and additions to old structures on the State Teachers' college campus. Work on the new project will start within the next few days, President Fredericks said.

HOMEcoming, CITY FESTIVAL PLANNED

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based on the lines of a similar pageant last year, when the largest crowd ever to assemble in Natchitoches lined the banks of Cane river to see the spectacle. It was estimated that 10,000 people were here that day.

Because of the success of last year's pageant, it was determined to form a permanent organization, whose charter provides for the sponsorship of an annual celebration on Cane River lake, to commemorate the founding of Natchitoches and to promote and encourage civic interest, stimulate interest in the historic value of Natchitoches, to "perform all things proper within the scope of the association for the welfare of the city of Natchitoches."

The pageant, while it will be the highlight of the day's program, will not be the only attraction in Natchitoches. The celebration is set for the same day as the annual spring home-coming of the Louisiana State Normal college alumni, when there will be held "open house" of 22 new buildings and additions to present buildings, built during a \$2,750,000 expansion program now in progress.

Teas, visits to gardens of the community, many other interesting social events will add to the pleasure of visitors in Natchitoches on that day.

All citizens of Natchitoches Parish are eligible to membership in the Historic Natchitoches Spring Festival association, whose first officers are: O. C. Butler, president; O. W. Traber, first vice-president; R. S. Fly, second vice-president; Carmen Breazeale, third vice-president; Steve Harmon, secretary-treasurer. A board of directors, having general jurisdiction of the affairs of the association includes the officers: Harold Kaffie, John Cunningham, John S. Kyser, L. M. Scarborough, Albert A. Fredericks, Russell E. Gahagan, E. A. Lee, Edwin L. McClung, Guy Nesom, E. C. Readhimer, G. H. Pierson, Sylvan Friedman, Miss Addie Taizln, Mrs. W. J. Avery, A. F. Ortmeier and J. Edgerton Pierson.

An executive board consists of Harold Kaffie, G. F. Thomas, R. L. Ropp, and John Cunningham, chairman, with O. C. Butler, ex-officio member.

The Empire State building in New York, 102 stories high, is the tallest building in the world.

TURPINS 1940 RACE HORSES



Pictured above are the Normal track men who will probably carry the major part of the Demon "load" this season. In the upper picture the varsity men are shown and pictured below are the freshmen candidates. The varsity men are, from left to right: Ernest Tyler, Ernest (Bama) Wright, Wiley Cummings, Red Thomas, and Solie Mayers. The freshmen are, from left to right, Tynes, Carbo, Knighton, Blacklock, James, and Tyler.

Fair Park High School Wins First Place in "A" Division At Annual Northwest Rally

Coushatta Captures First Place in "B" Class At Annual Conclave

Fair Park high school of Shreveport won the class A general excellence cup and Coushatta high school was high point winner in all divisions of class B at the sixteenth annual Northwest Louisiana secondary school rally held on the college campus recently.

The Fair Park students edged out the C. E. Byrd High school of Shreveport by a single point when they amassed a total of 194 points to 193 for the Byrd boys and girls. Both schools tied for the literary cup with 124 points each.

Coushatta piled up 76 points, 33 in literary events and 43 in athletics, to lead Singer with its 69½ points by a comfortable margin. The Singer High school made 30 points in literary subjects and 39½ points in the field of sports.

Natchitoches came third in class A schools with a total of 80 points in general excellence, 31 in academic subjects and 49 in athletics; while Pelican was in third place in the B class schools, winning 57 points in general excellence through an allowance from 48 points in literary events and 19 in athletics.

Natchitoches High school placed third in literary events in class A schools with a total of 72 points, and Mansfield was fourth with 61.

In class B schools Columbia topped a group of 48 schools entered in its class to win the literary division with 59 points. Pelican came second in literary prowess with 48, Greenwood was third with 46 and Coushatta trailed in fourth place with 33.

Former Head of Normal Gives Address Here

V. L. Roy, President Emeritus, Speaks to Students, Faculty; College Honors Mr. and Mrs. Roy at Reception

V. L. Roy, president emeritus of the Louisiana State Normal college and head of the institution for eighteen years, returned to the State Teachers' college campus recently to speak before students and faculty members for the first time since he resigned eleven years ago.

Introduced to the special assembly in Caldwell Hall auditorium at 10 p. m. by President Albert A. Fredericks, president emeritus Roy contrasted the college today to that of thirty years ago.

"Although the Normal has stood for the last half century as the great bulwark of education in the state, the institution has grown far beyond any expectations I had for it, and I know it has a still greater future," the former presi-

dent declared.

Speaking directly to the 1700 students enrolled, Mr. Roy told them they are preparing themselves for the greatest profession next to homemaking.

"Next to leaders in our homes, America needs men and women of high character in our schoolrooms, and it is your great task to uplift mankind and to make America a finer country to live in," the educator declared.

Hundreds of local citizens joined students, faculty members and alumni of the college in honoring Mr. and Mrs. Roy at a reception in the drawing room of Varnado Hall Tuesday afternoon from four until six o'clock. In the receiving line were President and Mrs. Fredericks, Mr. and Mrs. Roy, Miss Dean Varnado, dean of wo-

Five Students Receive Private Pilot Licenses

Flight Tests Are Given By Civil Aeronautics Inspector

Five of the 20 students enrolled in the civilian pilot training course at the Louisiana State Normal college here were awarded private pilots' certificates this week when they passed flight tests given under the direction of M. F. Clark, inspector of the civil aeronautics authority.

Student pilots granted the freedom of airways throughout the United States with permits to carry non-paying passengers are: Sompayrac Jones, Natchitoches; Wayne Seward, Sunrise, Wyo.; Roy D. Carnahan, Minden; Ralph Butler, Port Sulphur, Texas; and Lem Willis, Forest Hill.

The flight tests this week followed the completion of ground work and cross-country flights from the local municipal airport to Shreveport and return.

The course here is being given under the direction of Raymond Breazeale, local pilot, on the Natchitoches airport which is separated from the State Normal college campus by Chaplin's lake. Dr. Murphy P. Rogers, dean of the college, is faculty director of the pilot training program here.

Home Ec. Club Attends Meeting At Baton Rouge

Thirty-two Normal girls, comprising the largest representation, attended the Spring meeting of College Home Economics Clubs at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge April 5 and 6. Dorris Adams from Normal, president of the College Home Economics Clubs of Louisiana, presided over the meeting.

Plans for the next spring conference were discussed and it was decided that Louisiana Polytechnic Institute would be host.

Frances Ann Corbitt of Louisiana Polytechnic Institute was elected president of the college clubs, and Kathalene Morrow of Normal was elected historian.

Dr. Daggett, professor in the Law School of L. S. U.; Dr. Mary Mims, noted lecturer; and Mrs. McVoy, retired English professor of L. S. U., were guest speakers.

men; Dean of Students and Mrs. H. Lee Prather; Dr. Murphy P. Rogers, dean of the college; Mrs. Dan Scarborough, member of the college executive committee, and Mrs. C. R. Reed.

HONORED BY FACULTY



Miss Marjorie Holloway, left, of Holly Ridge has been awarded the Louisiana State University scholarship for 1940-41; and Miss Corinne Cook of Alexandria has been named faculty representative of the 1940 class. Both were selected by the State Normal College faculty last week.



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